



# Restoration Coordination



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**Proposal Solicitation.** The Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) for approximately \$24 million in restoration funding is scheduled to be released the first week in May and copies should be available at the BDAC meeting. The topics in the PSP and the amounts of funding are displayed in the attached table.

**Geographic Scope.** Representatives of Trinity County have asked that they be allowed to compete if they can show a clear and direct benefit to the Bay-Delta ecosystem and the priority species. The Ecosystem Roundtable and the CALFED Management Team have recommended that Trinity County be allowed to compete with the understanding that the benefit must be clearly identified.

**Water Acquisition.** The Ecosystem Roundtable is still considering a separate restoration funding recommendation for \$20 million in water acquisition. They are continuing to develop policy principles which would guide acquisitions and to develop recommendations on how the \$20 million would be allocated to projects and studies needed to move forward with multi-year water transfers. Information will be presented at future meetings concerning this program.

**Contract Amendments/Consent Item.** Ecosystem Roundtable and the CALFED Management Team have recommended approval of the revised scope for the Saelzer Dam Fish Passage Project (see attachment). This amendment will be considered approved by CALFED Policy Group unless an action is taken to disapprove.

Over the last few months, staff have worked with our advisory groups to design a process through which contracts can be amended. Currently, staff have been delegated the authority to approve time extensions up to six months or changes in scopes of services which do not significantly alter the final outcome of the project. For projects in which the

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applicant requests a time extension from six to twelve months or a budget increase of up to 30 percent of the contract amount, staff are to ask for input from the Ecosystem Roundtable and for approval from CALFED Management Team. Finally, for projects in which the scope may change significantly, the time is increased over one year, or the budget is increased over 30 percent, an amendment is not approved until the Ecosystem Roundtable provides input and both CALFED Management Team and CALFED Policy Group approve the request. (Staff is working on a method to simplify the amendment process.)

Attachments